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Re: <u>City Retained Expert on 423 San Pablo Avenue Application</u>

Dear Joe:

Section 20.20.100.F.4(b)(2) of the Albany Municipal Code provides that the City may require as part of the review of a use permit application for a wireless facility modification an alternatives analysis performed by either (1) an engineer retained by the City or (2) the applicant that is subject to independent engineering review by the City. As you know the City Council at the public hearing on the above referenced application (the "application") continued the hearing to October 3 so that the methodology and data supporting the Verizon engineer's testimony could be reviewed by an independent expert retained by the City. I will not recount here the City's repeated but futile attempts to obtain a complete alternative site analysis from your client.

The City has retained Jonathan Kramer to perform the independent engineering review of the Verizon analysis and conclusions and provide expert advice to the City on the application. Since the Verizon engineer did not submit any written report in support of his opinions, the City requests the following information from Crown Castle and Verizon so that the independent review can be completed:

 Provide all coverage maps prepared for each alternative site identified in Crown Castle's presentation at the September 19, 2011 public hearing on the application (the "Alternative Locations"). The coverage maps should include for each Alternative Location, the outdoor coverage, in-vehicle coverage and in-building coverage and the above ground height of the antennas considered for each site. The coverage maps also should provide a legend identifying each coverage level by color and –dBn level and by Band (i.e., 700 MHz, 800 MHz and 1900 MHz).

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- 2. Provide the name of the person the Verizon engineer contacted at each Alternative Location regarding the site's feasibility and availability.
- 3. Provide proposed coverage maps by Band (i.e., 700 MHz, 800MHz and 1900 MHz) for the proposed site at 423 San Pablo Avenue (the "Proposed Site") in its existing condition plus each Alternative Location at 48 feet above ground level.

It would be particularly helpful to our expert's review if he is provided seven separate coverage maps showing the coverage that would be afforded from the Proposed Site in its existing condition <u>plus</u> the coverage that would be additionally afforded by Band from each Alternative Location at a maximum height of 48 feet above grade so that our expert can evaluate the coverage that can be obtained by the use of the Proposed Site "as is" in conjunction with an alternative site that conforms to all code requirements.

Each of the separate coverage maps requested above should show coverage by Band of at least -75 dBm in one color; -75 dBm to -85 dBm in another color; and -85 dBm to -95 dBm in another color.

- 4. Discuss whether Verizon's wireless network can be used by its subscribers with less than -75 dBm level signals, -85dBm level signals, and -95 dBm level signals.
- 5. Provide all of the specific selection criteria that the Verizon engineer used to identify each Alternative Location that was selected.
- 6. Provide any other information that the Verizon engineer relied upon in forming the opinions he expressed at the September 19, 2011 public hearing.

We request that the above information be provided to the City by no later than the close of business on Wednesday, September 28, 2011. At this time, we do not know how much of the requested information is reflected in the work and analysis that the Verizon engineer completed in preparation for the public hearing. To the extent that our request involves additional analysis or review that has not been conducted, we

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would be pleased to continue the hearing to the second meeting in October which is October 20 or such other Council meeting that is convenient to your client. The requested information and coverage maps described in this letter reflect the types of information that our expert believes are critical for the City Council to make a properly informed decision on the use permit application filed by your client.

Very truly yours,

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